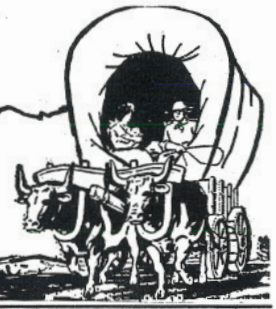


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Utah's Fabulous Pioneer Village May Have New Exposure

Cynosure of the proposed Pioneer Trails State Park would be the historic Horace A. Sorensen village and museum on Connor Street in Salt Lake City, if plans jell which would move the collection of art, antiques and curiosities onto the trail near the "This Is The Place" Monument.

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The President's Message

By Orson D. Wright

Amost exciting and challenging adventure lies ahead of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for this 1973 season. We have been asked to join with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in erecting a special graveside monument for the grave of Brigham Young at 200 East First Avenue.

Contemplated for the near future is a walking tour of visitors to come to Temple Square each tourist season which will include the Visitors Center, the new Church Office Building Plaza, Beehive House, Lion House, and other downtown places of extraordinary interest. The Brigham Young gravesite, closeby, and usually by-passed on tourists tours, will now be included in proper recognition of this historic place.

Our part in the project is to raise the money for the principal monument. It will consist of a bust of President Young and several informative panels. The cost is estimated at \$25,000. As an active organization having one of its major objectives the building and the preservation of monuments, statues, plaques and markers commemorating the lives and accomplishments of our valiant pioneers, we feel that we should take the leadership in this worthy project. Some of our chapters already are planning entertainments, programs, dances, etc. to help raise the funds, figuring to complete the quota or sum they wish to pay, by individual subscriptions.

With that good old SUP spirit prevalent, we should be able to get the monument dedicated on July 24, 1973, as the church authorities have suggested. We urge the cooperative and devoted efforts of all SUP members. United, we can accomplish this assignment with the same enthusiasm, vigor and generosity that characterized our work on the magnificent San Diego Mormon Battalion Monument in San Diego two years ago, on which we went "over the top" — and then some!

May we thank chapter officers and members for their support. It is simply great to associate with such wonderful men — our beloved associates in the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

CHAPTER CHECK LIST: How are you doing on these items?

- * Increasing chapter membership?
- * Extending a new chapter?
- * Life membership subscriptions?
- * Chapter community projects?
- * An active interesting chapter program?



AWAITING THE VERDICT

Brigham Young's devoted followers await the verdict in their leader's trial for cohabitation in this rare pioneer photograph by C. W. Carter, taken in 1872. This picture is from the celebrated Carter Collection now in the Church Historians Office library.

Thanks to Carter, many daguerreotypes by such pioneer picturemen as Marsena Cannon, Lucian Foster, C. R. Savage and others, were copied by him and are now in the archives. Early views of the Beehive House, Main Street and other buildings and scenes pre-date Carter's arrival in Utah.

— Photo courtesy Church Information Service.

WHERE MONEY SERVES BEST

Each and every man ought to interest himself in public affairs. There is no happiness in mere dollars. After they are acquired, one can use but a very moderate amount. It is given a man to eat too much and to have so much shelter and more he cannot use.

When money has supplied these, its mission, so far as the individual is concerned, is fulfilled and man must look still further and higher. It is only in public affairs where money is a moving force toward the general welfare, that the possessor of it can possibly find satisfaction, and that only in constantly doing more and more.

The greatest good a man can do is to cultivate himself, develop his talents and powers in order that he may be of greater service to humanity.

— Marshall Field.

THITHER DRIFTING

*Judging by the crimes and capers'
Reported in the daily papers,
The world is headed straight for hell
And has been now for quite a spell
If only half of them are so
We haven't VERY far to go!*

— LES GO SCRAPBOOK

LIFE IS MADE UP, not of great sacrifices or duties, but of little things in which smiles, and kindnesses, and small obligations, given habitually, preserve the heart and secure your comfort.

— Sir Humphrey Davy.

THE Pioneer



Credo

Divergent Interests

We believe in the Sons of the Utah Pioneers
BECAUSE:

The Sons of the Utah Pioneers believe that they should do all in their power to make the place in which they live a real home.

Sons of the Utah Pioneers believe that their community should be a place fit for the education of their children.

Sons of Utah Pioneers believe that their community has a right to their civic loyalty.

Sons of Utah Pioneers believe that their community wants their citizenship, not their partnership; wants their friendship not their offishness; wants their cooperation not their dissension; wants their sympathy not their criticism; wants their intelligent interest not their indifference.

Sons of Utah Pioneers believe that they should believe in their community and should work for it, because their community supplies them with law and order, trade, friends, education, morals, recreation and the rights of a free-born American!

IT ISN'T HALF AS HARD to come up from the gutter as it is to keep from bringing the gutter up with you!

I BELIEVE in my fellow-man. He may not always agree with me. I'd feel sorry for him if he did, because I myself do not believe some of the things that were absolutely sure in my mind a dozen years ago. May he never lose faith in himself, because if he does, he may well lose faith in me and that would hurt him more than the former, and would really hurt him more than it would hurt me.

— Charles Stelzle.

IN MEMORIUM

*A sleeper lies beneath this stone,
A sleeper gone to his last home;
He slept in life and now in death,
He sleepeth still for want of breath.*

— Tombstone, Farmingdale, N. J.

IF EVERYBODY TRIED as hard to make their deeds fit the creed as they do to make the creed fit their deeds, the critics of religion would soon have to go to work for a living.

— Nephi Jensen.

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NOTHING IS EASIER than spending the public money. It does not appear to belong to anybody. The temptation is overwhelming to bestow it upon somebody.

— Calvin Coolidge.

"Let us cooperate and move forward hand-in-hand rather than split up into factions and starve our souls on dogmatic differences."

— Brigham Young.

Among other worthy objectives, Sons of Utah Pioneers propose: "To promote and keep alive the spirit, ideals and courage of the pioneers and to keep up an interest in the things pertaining to their life and achievements."

The great mass of western pioneers were rugged, common folks—and moderate. They were willing to give and take in the great undertaking in building this great inland empire. They had divergent interests of course, and in the loneliness and hardships of frontier life they learned that no faction could "rule the range" and that there was no time for crusades by one faction against another.

Their day was a time of common defense in the interest of the welfare of all the settlers. They never lost sight of that safeguard to progress the frontier life. In that defense all their little differences which ordinarily divide a community were submerged in the greater cause of the interest and welfare of all.

The early frontier life of our people brought many divergent interests but if there were conflicts between farmers, stockmen, sheepmen working men, employers and financiers, in the settlement of these conflicts it was generally the paramount purpose of the representative men who shared the responsibility, to convince all that no faction could "rule the range."

Pioneer leaders became just plain men of affairs, practical negotiators of the peace and progress of the community. Their orators talked common sense. There was no politician who dared to crack the mobmaster's whip; demagogues had little persuasion and the people generally kept their heads.

Settlers of this great western country knew that there were many much bigger things for them to do than to get themselves involved in factional strife. What they did, we must defend. The lofty idealism of community life they established for us—we must preserve!

— The late Judge George A. Goates,
editor *The Pioneer*

DUBIOUS FORECAST

The weather filbert on TV
Assures us with: "maybe" and "we'll see!:"

"VIOLINIST LOSES HEAVILY IN RACE TRACK ORGY!"
— headline — Probably didn't know the difference between Beethoven's 7th and Pimlico's 8th.

Pioneer Trails State Park Project

Utah Village May Be Moved To 'This Is The Place'

By Les Goates

Pursuant to negotiations that have been in progress for a number of months, between the Pioneer Trails State Park Authority and the Sons of Utah Pioneers, Utah's renowned Pioneer Village may be moved from the Horace A. Sorensen property on Connor Street in Salt Lake City, to the "This Is The Place" Monument site at the mouth of Emigration Canyon.

A plan to develop the park project, which will be geared to attract upward of a million visitors a year, is awaiting financial backing from the State Legislature. The park has been in the planning stage for several years. Land has been acquired and architects have completed numerous drawings on the project. Now, approximately \$5 million is needed to bring the park into reality.

As envisioned by the State Parks and Recreation Division, the Pioneer Trail State Park would be "like a pearl necklace with an attractive jewel at the end," as parks promoters have described it. The string of pearls would be a 30-mile corridor along the old Mormon Trail between Henefer and Emigration Canyon. The strip would be dotted with recreation and campsites, historical markers, recreated pioneer scenes, such as covered wagons and stage coaches and old forts and stage stations.

The Crowning Jewel

The crowning jewel, it is proposed, would be Utah's nationally-renowned Pioneer Village, relocated at the "This Is The Place" area. The village, which has no equal in the country as a collection of pioneer relics, artifacts, original frontier establishments, art and curiosities, would get a new exposure, drawing, it is expected, a million tourists a year, whereas at its Sugar



*Horace & Ethel Sorensen
... Pioneer Village their handiwork*

House location, it attracts approximately 400,000.

Pioneer Village, the life-time handiwork of Horace A. and Ethel Sorensen, located on their property, is currently owned by the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers of which Dr. Orson D. Wright is the president. The museum is being appraised for its value by noted experts. The Connor St. property, present location of the museum, reverts to the Sorensens, when and if the village is moved.

The State Parks and Recreation Division has spent more than \$2.5 million for the purchase of land during the past few years. The latest acquisition did not cost any cash. It was 150 acres of federal land that had been declared surplus.

Other Acquisitions

The state also is acquiring some old cabins and structures, other than those now in Pioneer Village, which would

become a part of the authentic village in the proposed new frontier community. One of these, the cabin owned by Mary Fielding Smith, mother of the late Church President Joseph F. Smith, on Highland Dr. and 27th South St.

As planned by the state parks promoters, the relocated village and museum would be more than an exhibit. It would be "a living museum", especially during the tourist season. Stores would be stocked with pioneer goods, stage drivers would be on hand to take visitors for rides, blacksmiths would be on the job at their shops, the livery stable would be open for business and perhaps the world-famous "Praying Oxen" would be yoked up ready to take the children for a cover-wagon ride, as they do now at Pioneer Village.

Lack of Funds

"Only a lack of funds has kept the park from coming into existence," officials of the State Parks and Recreation Depart. said. "We are committed to the idea and most of the preliminary work has been accomplished."

However, Gov. Calvin L. Rampton's budget proposal provided only about half the finances sought by the parks division which did not include the cost of the Pioneer Trails Park. Officials expressed the opinion that the needed funds would have to come from either a bonding program or would have to wait for a future legislative move in order to consummate this extensive and ambitious program.

Tourism is Utah's No. 1 industry and the park authorities feel that it will require all sorts of programs and promotions to keep it apace with the gains being made by other western states who are getting more tourists than Utah, and holding onto them longer.

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A 'Monumental' Undertaking

SUP To Erect Monument At Brigham Young Grave

Pursuant to a proposal by Elder Mark E. Petersen of the Council of the Twelve, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, will spearhead a renovation-restoration project on the Brigham Young cemetery plot at First Avenue and 200 East, Salt Lake City. The SUP will build a monument on the gravesite and the Church will beautify and add some plaques and statuettes to the grounds.

In accepting the invitation to take over this project, Dr. Orson D. Wright, SUP president and Thomas A. Lambert, president-elect said:

"This is a most interesting and challenging undertaking and we are pleased to give it a full and complete effort. It is one of the principal purposes of the SUP to establish and preserve historic landmarks and this is a worthy endeavor in view of the growth of the Church and the increasing number of tourists who come to our 'Promised Valley' to learn about our state and her people.

"The Brigham Young gravesite has not been included to any great extent on the tours from Temple Square, even though it is close by, because it has not been publicized much, nor made to appear imposing. With a large and beautiful new monument and landscaped cemetery plot it can be included proudly on the popular "Walking Tour" of downtown historic sites.

A Recent Success

"We feel that our chapters will be glad to put over this project with the same enthusiasm and zeal that marked the construction and dedication of the San Diego Mormon Battalion Monument two years ago."

Pres. Wright has asked the chapters to raise \$25,000 for the monument, approximately half of what the San Diego structure cost SUP members and associate donors. He noted that while the chapters are building a monument, they are, through unity in a common purpose and the resultant togetherness, they are also strengthening their chapters. The national society executive



*Thomas A. Lambert
...works with chapters*

board has approved and authorized the project. Pres-Elect Lambert has been assigned to direct the campaign among the chapters.

Each chapter, accordingly, has selected a chairman and a committee to do the promotion work. These workers are interviewing members, persuading them to give all they can afford—some little, others much. Decendents of Brigham Young and friends of SUP everywhere are being given an opportunity to contribute. It is planned to dedicate the monument on July 24, this year (Pioneer Day.) A dedication ceremony will be held and a brochure listing names of all donors will be distributed.

An absolute deadline has not been set for contributions but the committee set first aim at April 30.

Promotion Projects

A number of the chapters have promoted concerts, dances and dinner parties to raise their quota of the monument fund, mostly all successful.

In addition to the monument, most artistic and imposing on the architects drawings, the Church will place on the cemetery lot three or four plaques to the memory of pioneer musicians and poets, such as William Clayton ("Come, Come Ye Saints"); Eliza R. Snow, (O My Father") and probably others.

Brigham Young's private burial grounds, fenced and locked, at 142 First Avenue, contain this inscription:

"Grave of Brigham Young - Prophet-Pioneer-Statesman. Born June 1, 1801 in Whitingham, Vermont; died August 29, 1877 at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Brigham Young, second president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, succeeded Joseph Smith, founder of the Church who was martyred at Carthage, Ill. Pres. Young was

(see MONUMENT next page)



BRIGHAM'S 'PRIVATE BURIAL GROUNDS

The grave of Brigham Young, 141 First Avenue, Salt Lake City is surrounded by a small iron picket fence. It is marked: BRIGHAM YOUNG - Prophet-Statesman-Pioneer. Born-June 1, 1801, Whitingham, Vermont; Died-August 28, 1877, Salt Lake City, Utah. The Sons of Utah Pioneers will spearhead a revivication project to make this obscure landmark an attraction of magnificent dignity and splendor.

Cedar City Offers Top Attractions For Encampment

CEDAR CITY — The scenery in this theatrical-enthused community is beginning to shift toward the 1973 Encampment of the Sons of Utah Pioneers scheduled here for Aug. 10, 11 and 12. As with previous SUP gatherings, this one is beginning to shape up as another "best ever."

Something distinctly different for any SUP conclave, is the presentation of one or two Shakespearean plays, for which this city has become nationally-renowned. Cedar City's Shakespearean Festival in the ne plus ultra in this art for all America.

Cedar Breaks is nearby and here is a thrill that will last a long time without costing a dime. Then there's Bryce, Grand Canyon and Zions, all down that way!

Perhaps the cynosure will be the Gronway Parry Museum of coaches, wagons, buggies, horse statuettes and pioneer costume. This is generally acclaimed the finest museum of this type in existence. Several nationally renowned museums have made offers to acquire this collection, but Cedar City isn't disposed to let it get away. Nevertheless, some motion picture companies have "borrowed" some of these vehicles for props.

The historic Union Pacific R. R. Station, ideal for a museum site; the noted Matheson Collection of Guns and a real Indian Village, active and inhabited, are some other encampment features.

Ray Knell, former national SUP president and Cedar City's motel magnate, is making preparations to house a record gathering of SUP members and friends.

— Hal Jensen

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HOST CEDAR CITY ENCAMPMENT



Shown herewith are the producers and promoters of the Cedar City SUP Encampment to be held in Mid-August in this picturesque and colorful southern Utah city. Officers of the chapter, who already have an elaborate program under way, are: Front, left to right: Willard H. Lunt, chapter president; Dr. J. S. Preswich, first vice-president; Merrill B. Junz, second vice-president; Theo Corry, third vice-president. Back row: Ted Cox, past president; and encampment chairman; Orville Isom, judge advocate; Dr. Reed W. Farnsworth, historian; Elwood Corry, chaplain; Steve Crowther, secretary and Jeff Marchant, membership chairman.

Monument

(continued from preceding page)

chosen as leader of the people in 1844 and sustained as President of the Church December 27, 1847.

Placed by M.I.A.

Earlier that year he led the Mormon Pioneers from Winter Quarters (Omaha) to the Salt Lake Valley, arriving here July 24, 1847. In 1849 he became governor of the Provisional State of Deseret and in 1850 Governor of the Territory of Utah. This tablet erected in honor of their beloved leader by the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Associations, which were organized under his direction."

Other graves of Brigham's wives and children are also in this little cemetery. A huge boulder marks the grave of his son at the south end of the cemetery. Other grave inscriptions read:

SUSANNAH SNIVELY YOUNG
1817 1892

MARY ANN ANGEL YOUNG
B. June 8, 1803
D. June 27, 1882

LUCY A. D. YOUNG
B. May 17, 1882
D. Jan. 24, 1891

Dixie Pioneer Chpt. Elects Edwin Wells President For 1973

ST. GEORGE — At the Christmas party, which was held December 11, 1972, the members of the Dixie Pioneer chapter elected officers for 1973, according to T. Wendell Bayles, president for 1972.

The new officers for 1973 are: Edwin G. Wells, president; Leslie Burgess, vice-president; Wallace Jones, vice-president; and Archie D. Wallis, secretary and Treasurer.

The new officers are busy making plans to increase membership and to maintain the present high standard of activity.

The Christmas party was planned and carried on by a Christmas Party Committee consisting of Gordon Mathis, Grant Snow, Leslie Burgess, and Edwin G. Wells. It consisted of special music by a Dixie High School singing group; a Christmas story by Velma T. Bayles; the first Christmas in St. George, by Katherine Larson; readings by Edwin G. Wells and wife; the exchange of white elephant gifts; and refreshments.

On The Trail With The Mormon Battalion

Banquet . . . Program . . . Firearms Display

By Col. Marvin E. Smith

Battalion members and their friends will attend a banquet and program on March 16 to commemorate the 17th anniversary when the group was officially sworn in at the Utah State Capitol Building, according to Col. Fred M. Reese, national commander.

Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones for the Utah Division is chairman of the affair and promises an interesting program and sumptuous repast, served by Distinctive Caterers. Special guests will be invited and reservations should be made no later than March 10 with Lt. Col. Jones, 410 Continental Bank Building, Salt Lake City.

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Congratulations to William M. Farris of El Centro, Calif. for his leadership with the Explorer Scouts of that area in locating and marking historic spots on the old Mormon Trail.

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ENCAMPMENT FEATURE

As suggested by the popular song, the battalion members will "Brush Up On Your Shakespeare" at the Cedar City Encampment, Aug. 10 & 11. A feature of the big annual conclave will be the nationally-renowned Shakespearean Festival and visitors will see one and possibly two of these classic plays. Nothing like a bit of culture and refinement for an SUP encampment.

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Battalion members are looking forward to the next meeting of Co. A when we will see and hear M/Sgt. Charlie Pomeroy present his veritable arsenal of rare firearms of the cap and ball period. This is reminiscent of the period 1846-1848.

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Globetrotters Sheldon and Edna Brewster recently returned from a tour of the South Sea Islands. Considering Utah's unusual long, hard winter, the Brewsters sure did choose the right year for their trip.

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Our sympathy goes out to Col. Elmer G. Thomas in the passing of his lovely wife and companion. She will be affectionately remembered for accompanying Co. A on the piano in their group singing sessions.

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Overshadowed by the imposing statue of a soldier in the new San Diego LDS Visitors Center are: Mormon Battalion Commander Fred M. Reese; Utah C. O. Elmer B. Jones, Cpt. Veron P. Curtis and Master Sgt. Charles E. Pomeroy.

— Photo by Marvin E. Smith

IN MEMORIAM

Maj. Vern B. Muir, active in both the Sons of Pioneers and the Mormon Battalion died Jan. 26 and at the request of his family, uniformed battalion members served as an honor guard at his funeral on Jan. 29. Members of the guard who participated included: Harold H. Jenson, Elmer B. Jones, Charles S. Pomeroy, Allan Crow, William Erickson and Marvin E. Smith.

Commander Fred M. Reese sent the following message of condolence to the family:

"Dear Mrs. Muir and Family:

The National Commander and men of the Mormon Battalion send their condolences at the passing of Major Vern B. Muir on January 26, 1973.

Vern served with honor in several assignments. As a lieutenant he assisted Captain Jesse P. Rich in providing leadership to Company D of the battalion. Later, he was promoted to major and became division officer coordin-

ating the activities in Northern Utah. It is noted that he joined in several good-will tours, both in-state and out, and participated in many parades.

His alertness to community interests led him into further service. Logan City commissioner, Cache Valley Republican chairman, and state senator were positions he held with distinction. Other unselfish activities included LDS missions to California and the Eastern States, the latter in company with his wife. He was also a national board member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

We wonder how he found time to manage Muir's Market in Logan for 33 years and raise a family of five daughters while being so active in community service. In saluting Major Muir we also honor you, his wife and family, for supporting him in his commendable service.

Sincerely,
Col. FRED M. REESE
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Our Readers Write

Grandma Milne Made It to 108

I was interested recently in reading the article in "The Pioneer" about Grandma Milne. There were two or three inaccuracies in this story which I would like to point out. You state in this article that she was born in 1848 and died at the age of 104. Farther on you state that in 1956, 108 years after her birth, she was the oldest person in the state. According to my arithmetic, that would make her 108 in 1956 and not 104.

Mrs. Milne consulted me when she was 91 concerning her poor vision. She had had a previous unsuccessful cataract operation elsewhere on one eye and came to see me with a mature

cataract on the other eye. She was blind except for light perception.

She was reluctant to have an operation on her only remaining eye but I finally persuaded her to consent to it as she had everything to gain and nothing to lose. I performed the operation on the second eye when she was 91 years of age. It was entirely successful. She lived to be 108 with good vision during the last 17 years of her life.

She was a grand person and I thought for the sake of correctness, we should set the record straight.

Yours sincerely,
Rowland H. Merrill, M.D.

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Our Gallery Of Pioneer Photographers

Frontier 'Picture-Takers' Contributed Much To Mormon Art

By Jan Padfield
Deseret News Staff Writer

Early frontier photographers were true artists, able to apply the crude technology available to them to produce high-quality pictures," says Nelson Wadsworth.

Wadsworth, photographer-writer for Brigham Young University's public relations department, is an expert on the history of photography in Utah. He is putting the finishing touches on a book about the subject, expected to be published soon.

"Modern films and printing techniques cannot match the clarity, definition and the simplicity of an 1850 daguerreotype or an 1859 collodion wet plate negative," he said.

Wadsworth explained briefly how Louis Jacques Mandle Daguerre had invented the first practical method of photography in Paris in 1837, disclosing it to the public two years later.

According to Wadsworth, in the 1840's photos were taken of Joseph Smith, Nauvoo and scenes of early Mormon Church history, but unfortunately many have been lost. He has one photo of Nauvoo, clearly showing the Mormon temple outlined against the sky.

Earliest Pioneer Pic

He said the earliest known Utah photograph was of Brigham Young, taken by Marsena Cannon. The original daguerreotype is in the LDS Church Historian's office.

Cannon also photographed early street scenes of Salt Lake City, as well as important news scenes such as the groundbreaking for the Temple.

An enterprising man, Cannon dominated Utah photography for a decade, advertising in the Deseret News his willingness to accept payment in unusual mediums.

"To All Saints—Wanted: Hay, oats, peas, beans, butter, eggs, fox and wolf skins and cash for Likenesses," ran one of his advertisements in the paper.

The ad was accompanied by a woodcut of a large black cannon and the notation, "At the sign of the cannon. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays."

Charles William Carter, a young British soldier freshly mustered out of



An 1867 C. R. Savage photo of a Mormon pioneer wagon train meandering down the canyon headed for Salt Lake City. This is typical of the scenes photographed by Savage and Charles William Carter whose pictures contributed so much to Mormon art and pictorial history. (Photo courtesy Church Information Service)

service in the Crimean War, arrived in what was then Great Salt Lake City and immediately found success as a photographer.

Friendly Rivals

He and another English photographer, C. R. Savage, became friendly rivals. Savage was for a short time a partner of Cannon's.

Wadsworth said the cumbersome, complicated and precise wet-plate equipment Savage and Carter used meant photographers had to carry darkroom, chemicals, plates and all their equipment with them on picture-taking excursions.

Their darkroom wagons traveled throughout the Utah Territory, with the men photographing every interesting thing they came across.

Some of the scenes photographed included wagon trains coming down Echo Canyon, immigrant trains stalled in beaver ponds near Coalville; an early steamshovel used on the Union Pacific

track; Parley's Canyon; Rio Virgin country, Zion Canyon; an 1867 wagon train of Mormon converts heading toward Salt Lake City.

Savage Outstanding

Savage by far the most outstanding photographer in the early West, sold a number of "Views of the Great West" taken for the Union Pacific and the Denver & Rio Grande Railroads.

One of the most newsworthy photos taken by Savage was the famous linking of the rails on May 10, 1869, at Promontory Summit. The photo was published as a woodcut in Harper's Weekly.

Among photographs Wadsworth has studied are a striking series of scenes from a large collection of glass plate negatives recently discovered by Deseret News reporters Don Woodward, business editor, first came across them. Then reporter Joe Bauman studied them and had their owner lend them to Wadsworth, who copied them.

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*A Saga Of Pioneer Theatricals***Girl Actress Escorts Brigham Young To Party**

(ED. NOTE: As one of a series of "True Pioneer Stories," once a prominent feature of "The Instructor," Harold H. Jenson, veteran Utah advertising man and ardent pioneer devotee, obtained this interview with Isabella Park Kenner, old Salt Lake Theater actress, shortly before her death in 1933.)

By HAROLD H. JENSON
(From 'The Instructor', March 1930)

Here is a pioneer story that sounds almost too fabulous to be true, yet the facts speak for themselves, for Isabella Park Kenner, a pioneer actress of the old Salt Lake Theatre days. She holds the distinction of being the only woman who ever took President Brigham Young to a Leap Year ball.

As Shakespeare says, "thereby hangs a tale," which the writer will let this veteran thespian tell in her own words along with her life's history:

"I am not going to tell you my age, for personally I think that is my own business; but I will tell you a true pioneer story. My father was Hamilton G. Park and my mother Agnes Steele, and he, being an early day educator, gave us children every opportunity. I was particularly fond of dramatic art, music and dancing. I remember the dedication of the Salt Lake Theatre, even though I was just a little girl. My parents took me. This gave me my first incentive for appearing on the stage.

"Some of the boys working for the Deseret News conceived the idea of getting up a show of their own and they called their organization 'The Thespians.' Charles Needham had built a large building in the 14th Ward for a store. Since the building was not being used, he told the boys they could fix up a stage and seats, which they did.

"A Frenchman traveling through stopped long enough to act as their first stage manager and coach. A man by the name of Williams painted the scenery. The first play was 'Luke the Laborer.' Another was 'The Dutchman's Boot.' Finally, we became more ambitious and gave Shakespeare's 'Richard III.' John T. Caine and Hiram Clawson happened to hear about us and finding we were well patronized came to see our performance. They were on the lookout for new talent for the 'Big Theatre.'

The Big Star

"John Lindsay was perhaps the greatest actor of the day and I well remember one interesting side light connected with those early theatricals.

*ENCHANTED MOMENT FOR A PIONEER GIRL*

He was supposed to be lying dead on the stage. For red lights we used powder. All of a sudden something caught fire. He jumped up long enough to put out the blaze and then laid down again. Laughter followed but he saved the place.

"The Social Hall is also dear to my memory, for here is where the real thrill of my life occurred. A leap year ball was to be given there, and the ladies of Salt Lake had to escort the gentlemen and no wife was allowed to take her own husband. The committee consisted of Mrs. Joseph A. Young, Mrs. Brigham Young Jr., Mrs. Amelia Folsom Young, Mrs. Charlotte Cobb, Mrs. William C. Staines and Mrs. Hamilton Park, my mother. They met in our parlor to plan the event. I heard them, after much consideration, say that Nellie Colebrook, who had just returned east and had gained popularity as a celebrity, would be the logical lady to escort President Young. In fact, they were in quite a quandary as to who should have this honor. They decided they would go as a committee to escort her to President Young. Tickets were to sell at \$5, with extra seats 35 cents.

A Sudden Impulse

"From Devilment, I know not why,

all of a sudden a mad desire seized me to ask President Young myself. I rushed out of the door and went to the Lion House, cutting off through the orchard, running as fast as my young legs could carry me. I arrived breathless at the door and Mrs. Lucy Young met me, and said, "What can I do for you Belle? You look like you must have something important on your mind."

"'I have,' I responded, 'I must see President Young immediately.'

"She ushered me in and the President said, 'Well, Belle,' for he knew both me and my parents well, 'what can I do for you?'

"I have come to invite you to the Leap Year Ball," I answered.

"'Well, Lucy,' he said, 'I've heard a lot about this ball and concluded I was going to be a wall flower. Bring your carriage, young lady, to my door and I will be ready.'

"We had no carriage, so President Young came with his. He asked my mother if she also was ready and whom she was taking. 'Brother Park,' mother replied. As an extra gent was allowed, he took my parents, who were startled to think of what I had done, but they said nothing.

(see YOUNG STAR, next page)



NEW OFFICERS EAST MILL CREEK CHAPTER — Front row, left to right: Arthur W. Wiscomb, immediate past president; L. Dale Holbrook, president; Bayard Robison, president-elect. Second row: Oscar W. Gray, vice-president; Mark Jensen, director; Eugene B. Duffin, director; Joy F. Dunyon, historian. Absent when picture was taken: Robert A. Gehring, director.

Young Star Took 'The Prophet' To Social Hall Leap Year Ball

(continued from preceding page)

She Wore Gloves

"You can imagine the feelings of a 17-year old girl with this honor or escorting the President. I had never before worn kid gloves and said to President Young that I had never worn them, and was hoping he would suggest I didn't need to. He replied, 'Put them on; you must learn to wear them if you are to be a lady.' I did and enjoyed the evening of my life. All eyes were focused on us and the most surprised were the committee in charge. Brother Golightly was the chef for all Social Hall affairs and served an elaborate banquet, as, in those days, dinners shared equal honors with the dance. The wee small hours saw the close of the festivities, with President Young escorting both me and my parents home and thanking me for a very pleasant evening. He had learned what I had done to thwart the committee yet he

said nothing.

The writer must close with a personal visualization of the parting picture of this good old lady, who, in saying goodbye, picked a flower and put it in his button hole, with the statement "it is better to give the flowers before rather than after."

Mrs. Kenner died in 1933.

THREE THINGS

Three things too much and three too little are pernicious to man: to speak much and know little; to spend much and have little; to presume much and be worth little.

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Hatred never yet was overcome by hatred; but hatred is always overcome by love.

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Longevity Romance

Wedding Ring Worn By Bride 70 Years

By Reed Madsen
(In The Deseret News)

MONROE, Utah — Their romance started at a school dance when he was 16 and she was 13. They were married 10 years later and last Feb. 11 they celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary "still holding hands."

Mr. and Mrs. Levi J. Anderton, he now 91 and she 89, said their long marriage has been based on hard work, a deep religious faith and love for each other. A sense of humor also has been a vital ingredient.

"I learned to work when I was eight years old, herding cows for 50 cents a month," Anderton recalled. He later herded sheep in remote areas of southern Utah, not seeing his family for 17 months — at the age of 11.

He worked as an itinerant photographer, cut timber, herded sheep, worked at a sawmill and in the mines. "It seemed I was always hunting a job," he said.

When I received my first paycheck from a full-time job at the Kimberly Mine (now a ghost town), I rode a horse through deep snowdrifts and we were married the next day," Anderton remembered.

His wife proudly showed her most prized personal possession — a gold wedding band. "Lee dug the ore, had it refined and gave me this beautiful ring," she said.

Because he felt there was "something missing" in his life, Anderton became active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served as bishop, stake clerk and patriarch, the latter a position he still holds.

Mrs. Anderton worked for 45 years as an officer and teacher in the church Relief Society.

She recalled that life was hard, but somehow they always managed, even though on one occasion she fed their straw mattress to the family cow when no other feed was available.

They lost a son during World War II, but have six living sons and daughters.

Battle of Bear River

Renegades Started War They Couldn't Finish

By Joseph Porath
In Tribune Magazine

Franklin was the first white settlement in the southern part of Washington Territory, now Idaho. This little town in the northern end of Cache Valley was settled by Mormon pioneers in 1860. During the winter of 1862-63, a large body of renegade Shoshoni and Bannock Indians, under chiefs Bear Hunter, Pocatello, Sagwitch and Lehi, camped near the mouth of a stream, a tributary to Bear River, now called Battle Creek.

Their camp, which was situated in a deep ravine, was only a few miles northwest of Franklin. Their begging became burdensome to the new settlers, especially as this renegade band had been murdering emigrants on the Overland mail route, killing settlers and stealing their cattle and horses for the last 15 years.

In late December 1862, a party of miners, including David Savage and William Bevins, came down from the Salmon River country for supplies. Missing the ford of the Bear River near Franklin in a blinding snowstorm, they followed the west bank of the river to a point about opposite Richmond and crossed to the east side in boats made of wagon boxes. Indians from the Battle Creek camp, who had followed the party, fired on them as the last boatload was crossing, killing John Smith of Walla Walla, and wounding several others.

Body Recovered

The party of miners then hid in the willows along the east bank until night, when they proceeded to Richmond, about six miles south of Franklin. They told their story to Bishop M. W. Merrill, who organized a party to recover the dead man and the property the miners had left behind. They were attacked by the Indians but succeeded in obtaining Smith's body and some of the horses.

The following day Bevins went to Salt Lake City, appeared before Chief Justice Kinney and swore out an affidavit concerning the circumstances of the attack, placing a value of about \$2,000 on the animals, gold-dust and other property taken by the Indians. He further stated that miners of another party of about 10 men from the mines, en route to Salt Lake City, were murdered by the Indians three days preceding the attack on his party.

A warrant for the arrest of Bear Hunter, Sagwitch and Lehi, chiefs of the band of Indians, was given to Marshal Isaac L. Gibbs, who called on Col. Patrick E. Connor, commander of the California Volunteers at Camp Douglas, for a military escort to protect him in serving the writs. The colonel had already planned to punish the renegades and was fully prepared to go on this expedition.

On Thursday, Jan. 22, 1863, Capt. Samuel N. Hoyt started north with 40 men of the Third California Infantry, two howitzers, and a train of 16 wagonloads of supplies. After several days' march the Indians became aware of this small detachment marching in their direction, but Chief Bear Hunter



A painting by Lynn Fausett, hanging in the Officers Club at Fort Douglas, shows triumphant return of Col. Patrick E. Connor after Battle of Bear River. Bearded man with hat is Porter Rockwell. Connor used infantry and cavalry to defeat the Indians.

— Photo courtesy of Joseph H. Porath.

was amused and not very frightened, as his warriors outnumbered these troops more than tenfold.

Connor Strategy

It was the strategy of Col. Connor to deceive the Indians as to his troop strength so the cavalry marched only by night. The nights were clear and cold with a shrill north wind sweeping over mountain and plain. The moistened breath freezing as it left the lips, hanging in small icicles from the beards of the brave men. Hour after hour the men rode on, facing the wintry wind, uncomplainingly enduring the intense cold.

At dawn the troops, stiff and cold, entered the little town of Box Elder (Brigham City), completing a night march of 68 miles. The cavalry caught up with the infantry at Mendon early on Jan. 27th. Then marching separately, marched to Summit (Smithfield) rested there until nine p.m., then the two forces joined at Franklin on the night of Jan. 28-29.

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Surround Indians

Col. Connor ordered Maj. McGary to surround the Indian camp before attacking. The cavalry crossed the river east of the camp with difficulty due to floating ice. Water was so deep it poured over the saddle seats, the horses frequently losing footing. As each company crossed, the men dismounted, every fourth man was detailed to hold horses, and a line of skirmishers was formed.

In the meantime the Indians had sallied forth and were ready for the attack.

Lt. Chase in charge of Co. K, and Capt. Price with Co. M, were first across the river and attacked immediately across the plain. Co. H. and Co. A. with Capt. McLean and Lt. Quinn, soon were up and joined the attack. The Indians opened fire, wounding one volunteer. Apparently believing it impractical to surround the Indians, Maj. McGary attacked frontally.

The fire of the Indians was very effective; many fell dead and wounded; in fact most of the battle casualties of the troops occurred at this time. Lt. Chase, mounted on a horse with attractive trappings, drew much fire, probably being mistaken for Col. Connor by the Indians. He was wounded first in the wrist and a few moments later received a ball through the lung, but kept his saddle for about 20 minutes, urging his men in the fight. He finally reported himself to Col.

(See BATTLE next page)

Battle Of Bear River

(Continued from preceding page)

Connor as mortally wounded and asked permission to retire. Capt. McLean was wounded in the hand but kept on toward the ravine until stopped by a dangerous wound in the thigh.

Tide Turns

Up to this time the Indians had the best of the fight, but bravely as they fought, they could not withstand the determined attack from three sides. A wild yell from troops stationed near the mouth of the ravine, announced that the Indians were breaking in that direction. Col. Connor set a detachment of cavalry charging furiously to cut off the retreat. The Indians were now surrounded and hand-to-hand conflict ensued. Col. Connor and Maj. Gallagher, his volunteer aide, galloped down among the troops. Lt. Berry was badly wounded in the shoulder.

The squaws and children, aware that the soldiers were not shooting at them, came out of the ravine and walked to the rear of the troops, where they sat down in the snow to watch the battle. Nevertheless some of the squaws did get in the way and were killed.

Now that the troops closed in, the Indians sought refuge in the willows but finally were dislodged. Chiefs Bear Hunter and Lehi were killed. Chiefs Sagwitch and Pocatello escaped with probably 50 of the braves.

Bodies Found

A count of the Indian dead revealed 224 bodies on the field, and 48 bodies in one angle of the ravine. About 160 captive squaws and children were released on the field. In the Indian camp the troops found much wheat, beef, provisions, arms, and munitions, as well as considerable emigrant plunder. The squaws and children were supplied with the provisions, while the other

things of value were taken to Camp Douglas to be sold at auction. Some 175 horses were captured.

The battle lasted about four hours. During this time the cold had been so intense that the men could load only by sight, having lost all sense of feeling in their fingers. During the engagement Surgeon Robert K. Reid opened and operated an improved hospital. The soldiers dead were 14, and wounded, four officers and 49 men, of whom one officer and nine men died later; and the disabled by freezing were 79.

The Mormon scout Porter Rockwell rendered the command very efficient service. He saved many of the men from losing some of their limbs through frostbite.



*Patrick Edward Connor
Maj. Gen. U. S. Volunteers
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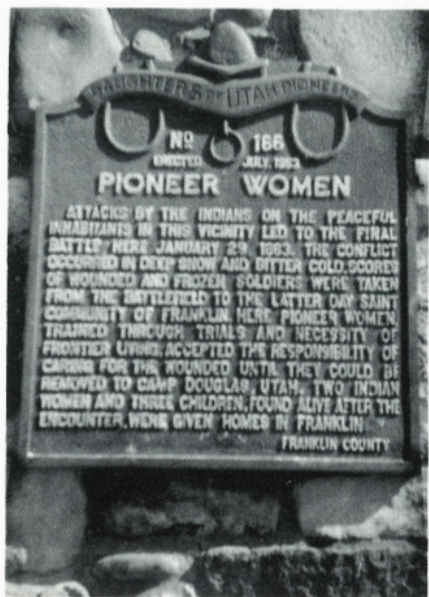
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One of the plaques on the Bear River battlefield monument pays tribute to the women of Franklin, Ida.

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500 New Regular And Life Members!

By George C. Lloyd
(Executive Secretary SUP)

Chapter officers and members are to be congratulated for encouraging individuals to become life members in the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. Mainly on their own initiative the following have shown their faith in the future of the organization by enrolling in this group: Veron P. Curits of Lehi, Ben E.



Lofgren of Sacramento, C. Reg. Walter of SLC; K. Grant Hale, Holladay; Thomas A. Wolsey, Brigham Young and Morris D. Webb of East Mill Creek.

Keep the ball rolling.

The month of January was marked by a flood of renewals in membership for 1973, not only from organized chapters but from members at-large. This indicates an appreciation of the fellowship that is enjoyed, as well as the desire to receive every issue of "The Pioneer".

To the Brigham Young Chapter of Provo goes the distinction of being the first group to forward dues for this year from a substantial part of their total enrollment. Congratulations to President Don L. McConkie, Secretary Leland M. Perry, and the other officers.

'500 NEW MEMBERS'

Pres. Orson D. Wright, with his usual optimism has indicated that this year it is possible to obtain an increase in total membership of five hundred. This can be done if each chapter attains a ten per cent increase and the several prospective new chapters are chartered.

If any of the chapters would like to honor a past president, we might suggest a pin set with a four point diamond

as a recognition of their service. If you are interested in this suggestion contact the national office for further information.

INSPIRING MESSAGE

Elbert Hubbard, years ago, wrote the epic essay, "A Message to Garcia" which extols the courage and loyalty of a soldier in the Spanish-American war. The lesson he leaves in this story is expressed in these words:

"By the eternal: there is a man whose form should be cast in deathless bronze and the statue be placed in every college of the land. It is not book-learning young men need, nor instruction about this and that, but a stiffening of the vertebrae which will cause them to be loyal to a trust, to act promptly, concentrate their energies, do the thing - "Carry a message to Garcia."

It is almost three-quarters of a century since Hubbard wrote these lines but the sentiments are good and we can apply the advice on loyalty when we contemplate with pride our membership in the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

WHAT IS A FRIEND?

My friend is one who laughs with me, who weeps with me; one who encourages, praises, rebukes; who comes to me for the wedding feast; who stands with me beside the coffin; who listens to my hopes, my fears, my aims, my despair; who rejoices in my success and does not despise me in my misfortunes.

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ST. GEORGE — William O. Bentley, 88 and his wife Hettie Sullivan Bentley, 86, celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary Dec. 28, 1972 at their home in St. George. They were married in the Salt Lake Temple;

They were childhood sweethearts and attended school together through their high school and college years. Mr. Bentley has spent most of his professional life as a teacher and school administrator and was also an insurance agent. He has been a missionary and member of the stake presidency in the LDS Church.

Mrs. Bentley also has been active in church work and is a fine pianist and teacher. She recently took up the harmonica. They have six sons and daughters.

Christian S. Sorensen, Pioneer of 1873, Notes 101st Birthday

When Christian S. Sorensen, came to Utah with his Mormon convert parents in 1873, Ulysses S. Grant was president of the United States and territorial honors for the Territory of Deseret (Utah) was still 23 years away.

Sorensen, long - time resident of Sandy, Utah, celebrated his 101st birthday on Feb. 1 at the home of a daughter in Las Vegas, Nev. His parents were immigrants from Denmark. He grew up in Huntsville, Utah and attended college in Logan and fulfilled a mission for the church in Denmark.

Following his mission he married Gertrude L. McDonald. She died in 1965. They spent the first two decades of their married life as storekeepers in Idaho and moved back to Utah to live in Sandy in 1927.

"He is a very healthy person, mentally and physically," said a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Case Sorensen of Bountiful. She says Mr. Sorensen spends most of his time reading and watching television. "And he still loves to play pinochle," she added. "He misses mostly his fishing which was his hobby until recent years."

Mr. Sorensen gives credit for his remarkable longevity to moderation in diet, clean living and by "the Holy Writ".

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Story Of An Indian Mother

Life With Chieftains Panogas and Oqua At Rockport

During the winter of 1858 a band of Ute Indians numbering about 100 with Chieftains, Panogas and Oqua, came to camp at Rockport, Ut. Permission was obtained from one of the farmers to camp near his home. Consent was given on the condition that not a thing nor a person of the white settlement be in any way molested or appropriated by the Indians.

They pitched camp in the low brush of the foothills, in a square covering about one mile. The men and boys hunted deer, elk and other game and also took part in the begging of bread stuff from the pioneer villagers nearby. If more meat was killed than could be immediately consumed by the Indians it was dried (jirked) by the women-folk.

Short posts were driven in the ground in the form of a square. Small poles were laced over these to form a grate, then brush was laid closely over these poles. The meat was cut in slices resembling steaks. These slices were laid closely together over the brush. A fire was built underneath the brush heap and kept constantly burning and smoking. The meat was sundried and smoked, turned often, until dried through, then stored away for future use.

Each day the farmer received a visit from Panogas and Oqua who talked fairly good English. They often presented the family with fresh meat from their kill. In one of these families there was a little boy. This youngster became a great favorite of the Chieftains. He liked to cuddle into their laps and admire their buckskin clothing—shirt, pants, leggings and moccasins—or stand by and stroke the heavy hair of their buffalo robes. His mother often chastised him for his familiarity



*Young Indian Mother
...believed to be Shoshone*

Art Courtesy Great West Magazine

with these Indian Chieftains, saying, "You smell exactly like those Indians."

A New Teepee

One day a new teepee appeared above the camp a way up near the top of the mountain. The villagers were advised that the Great Spirit was sending a new papoose to that teepee for a young squaw was soon to become a mother and she, with two Indian maiden attendants, must occupy this hut until three weeks after the little papoose arrived. The Indian braves often went up to the teepee with fresh provisions and made inquiries and after their visit they would slide down the snow-covered mountainside to their village below. For seven weeks the exile lasted, then, one day the young mother was taken to the river and a hole chopped through the ice and she plunged several times through the hole into the icy waters. After the

several submergings of the mother her new babe received one generous dip. Both were then wrapped in heavy buffalo robes and carried to the Indian camp.

Sacred Rites

According to the Indians these rites were necessary as a purification ceremony and the mother and her babe would not be allowed to associate with the tribe in camp until this purification ceremony had been administered.

Just once during that long winter was the promise made by the Indians broken. One day a squaw returned to camp with some potatoes which had been stolen from a farmer's potato pit. Immediately the chief went to the farmer to inquire whether or not the squaw had been given these potatoes. Upon hearing that the farmer was not aware they had been taken, the chief gave a solemn assurance that such a theft would not occur again.

During sunny afternoons in the springtime, the cattle from the nearby farms were allowed to roam near the Indian camp. In a playful mood the young Indians would frighten them by waving their large buffalo robes at them until one day they caused the cattle to stampede. The owners of the herd were enraged and frightened the Indian boys by telling them that the settlers had sent for the U. S. soldiers to come for them. After hasty consultations the Indians "folded their tents and silently stole away."

— D. J. G.

WHO? ME?

*I like to watch the rooster crow:
He's like so many folks I know,
Who brag and bluster, rant and shout
And beat their bully chests without
A single thing to brag about!*

— LES GO SCRAPBOOK

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Vern Barlow Muir

Vern Barlow Muir, 70, former president of the Logan and Bountiful Chapters of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, former chairman of the Life Membership Committee and devoted member of the Mormon Battalion, died Jan. 26 in a Bountiful hospital of natural causes.

An enthusiastic trekker, Mr. Muir seldom missed an SUP trip or a Mormon Battalion journey. He loved to wear the battalion uniform and in Mexico one time a sculptor made a statuette of him which is a priceless memoir in his family collection of pioneer curios and artifacts.

He returned several months ago from a mission for the LDS Church, along with his companion May. Previously he served in the California Mission. He was a high priest in the Bountiful 26th Ward.

Mr. Muir formerly owned and operated

Muir's Market in Logan for 33 years.

Vern Barlow Muir was born Apr. 17, 1902 in Randolph, Utah to William S. and Jane F. Barlow Muir. He married May John July 25, 1922, which marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors: widow; daughters: Mrs. Ross (Marva) Weaver, Provo; Mrs. Richard (Anna Jane) Harper, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Warren (Verla) Jensen, Delta; Millard County; Mrs. Collins (LuDeon) Thompson, Bountiful; Mrs. Larry (Margaret) Olpin, Warrensburg, Mo.; 23 grandchildren; brother, sisters; Barlow F. Taylorsville; Mrs. Klea Gray, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Vilate Winegar, Woods Cross.

Funeral services were held Jan. 29 in the Bountiful 26th LDS Chapel and burial was in the Logan Cemetery.

Nelson A. Empey

Nelson A. Empey, 76, long-time chaplain of Dixie Mission Chapter Sons of Utah Pioneers, died at his St. George residence, Jan. 8, after an illness of three months.

In addition to his service with the SUP, he served in the U.S. Army during WWI and was a charter member of the Lester Keate Post of the American Legion No. 90. He was also past commander of the St. George Post of the Disabled American Veterans.

Mr. Empey was employed throughout most of his life as a road construction engineer, mostly by Higbee Construction Co., the City of St. George and Washington County. Prior to his retirement he worked for the Reynolds Electric Co. of Nevada.

An active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he had

served many years as a home teacher supervisor and active temple worker and as the secretary of his high priests quorum. He was an avid sports enthusiast and was a skilled gardener and raiser of pheasants.

Nelson A. Empey was born Feb. 21, 1896 in St. George, the son of Joseph Lamoni Liston and Rosaltha Ovilla Liston Empey. He married Jessie Ellen Kemp on June 27, 1927 in the St. George Temple.

Survivors include his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Dale (Shirley) Cole of LaJuanta, Colo.; two grandchildren and one great grandchild, a sister, Mrs. Orvilla Daly of Orem, Utah.

Funeral services were held Jan. 11 in the St. George Eighth Ward Chapel and burial was in the St. George City Cemetery.

Dr. Munn Q. Cannon

Dr. Munn Q. Cannon, long-time member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and prominent civic and church worker, died Jan. 9 in a Salt Lake City hospital of natural causes. He was 77.

Prominent in the dental profession, Dr. Cannon practiced in Salt Lake City for upward of 30 years. He was a member of the Utah Dental Society and the American Dental Association.

He was former Intermountain A A U swimming champion and represented the Deseret Gymnasium in many swimming and handball meets.

Dr. Cannon was a member of the Bonnevill Kiwanis Club where he was a past president and lieutenant governor. He was a member of the Salt Lake City Knife and Fork Club.

He served a mission in the Eastern Canada area and was formerly a counselor in the East Mill Creek Ward bishopric.

A native of Salt Lake City, Dr. Cannon was born May 16, 1895, a son of Abraham H. and Wilhelmina Cannon. He married Lois Dalton on Oct. 28, 1919 in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his widow; a son and two daughters, Dr. M. Dalton Cannon, Mrs. Victor L. (Janet) Neff, Woodland Hills, Calif.; 17 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and four sisters, Mrs. William C. (Ardella) Fagergren, Mrs. Ray (Lillian) Needham, both Salt Lake City; Mrs. T. O. (Mary) Leaver, Burbank, Calif.; Mrs. Leo O. (Claire) Nelson, Brigham City.

Funeral services were held Jan. 11 at the Larkin Mortuary Chapel and burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

Glen C. Bills

Glen C. Bills, 76, former president of the Sugar House Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers, and prominent civic, church and business executive, died Dec. 26, 1972 in a Salt Lake City hospital of a heart attack.

Mr. Bills was the third used car dealer to launch a business in northern Utah and founded the Bills Motor Parts Co. in 1927. He was also a pioneer in the mobile home industry and had sales outlets throughout Utah and Idaho. His Glen C. Bills & Sons Co. developed a large number of mobile home parks.

A devoted church worker, Mr. Bills was a high priest in the Monument Park Stake and served as a high priests secretary for 12 years. Active also in scouting, he was a member of the Salt Lake Lions Club, the American Legion and the Ambassador Club. Mr. Bills served as president of the South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce.

Glen C. Bills was born at Fairview, Utah, Apr. 11, 1896, to Samuel and Amelia Henrietta Peterson Bills. He married Pearl Doyle, Mr. 29, 1923 at Farmington, Utah which marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his widow, two sons, Vaughn G. and Hal D. both of Salt Lake City, 12 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The funeral was held Dec. 29 in the Monument Park (Salt Lake) 14th Ward Chapel and burial was in the Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park.

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Robert H. Stewart

Robert Haslam Stewart, 87, long-time member of the Box Elder Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers and Utah's first county agricultural agent in conservation, died at his home in Brigham City, Jan. 11.

Mr. Stewart was a member of the Utah State College graduation class of 1910 and at first was a real estate salesman. He was later appointed manager of the Price River Fruit Co. in Carbon County.

In 1913 he became Utah's first county agricultural agent, serving both Carbon and Emery Counties for three years. He transferred in 1916 to become the first agricultural agent in Box Elder County where he served for 33 years, until his retirement in 1949. During that time Box Elder became Utah's No. 1 county in agricultural production and farm income. Mr. Stewart won national acclaim for his leadership in environmental conservation.

In 1936 he helped organize the Wellsville Mountain Area Project Corporation and continued as its president until 1961. He helped to restore the devastated floor-ravaged Willard Mountain as a watershed and was one of the organizers of the Weber Mountain Protective Assn. Mr. Stewart was chairman of the Cache National Forest Advisory Council. He received Utah's first conservationist award.

As county agent Mr. Stewart pioneered several programs in agricultural and community activities including services with 4-H Clubs, the Utah Farm Bureau Federation, Utah Farm Loan Association in Box Elder, Emery and Carbon Counties; the Brigham City Dairy Days and the Box Elder County Park. He was instrumental in the tree planting and parkway project on Brigham City's Main Street.

Mr. Stewart was professor emeritus, Utah State University and a member of Epsilon Sigma Phi, national extension service fraternity.

In church activities he was a high priest in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Box Elder Stake and served in a number of priesthood groups, a member of the Brigham City Fourth Ward, and a genealogical instructor and Sunday School administrator.

Robert Haslam Stewart was born in Wellsville, Cache County, Jan. 15, 1886, a son of James Glen and Ellen Haslam Stewart. He married Helen May Potter of Price in the Salt Lake Temple. She died June 5, 1968. They had six children, 27 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. Their children: Mrs. David M. (Jean) Welling, North Ogden; Mrs. Leonard E. (Beth) James, Springville; Mrs. R. Burns (Helen) Toolson, North Ogden; Fred R. Stewart, Hunt, Idaho; John J. Stewart, Logan, and Mrs. Collin I. (Bobbie Ann) Hunsaker, Brigham City.

Funeral services were held Jan. 15 in the Brigham City Fourth - Thirteenth Wards Chapel.



Clyde B. Adams

Clyde Bennett Adams, 67, long-time worker and official in the Buena Ventura (Layton) Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died Jan. 3, 1973 of a heart attack.

Mr. Adams served on the Layton City Council from 1948 to 1954 and was a Davis County commissioner from 1958 to 1961. He was president of Kays Creek Irrigation Co. and a director of the First National Bank of Layton. He was also a member of the Davis County Weed Control Committee.

An active church worker throughout his life, Mr. Adams served in the Eastern States Mission and the Canadian Mission and was bishop of the Layton Third Ward.

He was a charter member and former secretary of the Clearfield Kiwanis Club and past-president of the Layton Lions Club.

Clyde Bennett Adams was born July 3, 1905 in Layton, to Elias, Jr. and Lettie May Bennett Adams. He married Evelyn Harris April 26, 1928 in the Logan LDS Temple.

Survivors include his widow, two sons and a daughter, Elias H., Neil J., Mrs. Jay G. (Jean) Love, all of Layton; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; a sister, Mrs. Ruth A. Rampton, Garland, Box Elder County.

The funeral service was held Jan. 6 in the Layton LDS Stake Center. Burial was in the Kaysville-Layton Memorial Park.

P. L. (Jack) Goddard

P. L. (Jack) Goddard, former chaplain of the Southern California Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.

Active in various business and civic groups, he was president of Pierce Brother's Mortuary, with which he was associated for 36 years. He was past president of the Los Angeles Adventurers Club for four years and a member of the Los Angeles Breakfast Club, since 1941 and was program chairman for many of these years. Mr. Goddard organized the Commonwealth Dinner Club of Los Angeles.

Born of Mormon pioneer parents — Joseph Goddard and Ellen Lundberg — he devoted much of his life-time to church activities. He was superintendent of the Wilshire Ward Sunday School for five years, wherein he developed a model junior Sunday School which he called his "Little Flower Garden."

He was counselor to Bishop Elmer Peterson in the Hollywood Ward, shortly after moving to California from Salt Lake City where he served on a regional mission and sang in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir with his wife Lettie. They also sang in the Southern California Mormon Choir. He was also a composer and many of his songs have been published. Most famous of these was his "Longing" which Jesse Evans Smith sang many times in the Tabernacle on Mothers Day.

November 29 would have been the Golden Wedding Anniversary for Jack and Lettie Goddard. They have 15 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. They are the parents of Mrs. Russell (Carol) Koutz, Mrs. Blaine (Luana) Larson and John M. Goddard.

Smile and Smile

I GAVE a smile to one I met,
She passed it to another;
He started running home to give
It to his baby brother.

The baby smiled at its own dad,
He passed it to his neighbor;
Next it slipped into a pit
Where men were hard at labor.

So on and on, from heart to heart,
That smile kept ever spreading;
A light of love and cheerfulness
It kept on ever shedding.

And when at night, as I sat down,
All tired and warm from duty,
That smile came winging back to me —
I marveled at its beauty!

— Gladys Melrose Gearhart

NEVER TOO OLD

It is surprising what men are capable of doing after passing their sixtieth birthday. A popular author, Booth Tarkington, wrote 16 novels after 60. Robinson Crusoe was written when Daniel DeFoe was 61. The monumental paintings in the Sistine Chapel were done by Michaelangelo when he was 66, a job he did lying on his back!

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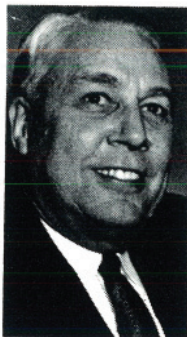
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Wilbur C. Parkinson Retires From City Employment With Honors After 52 Years

"For his life-time of devotion and service as an inspirational public servant to this community," stated the resolution passed by the Salt Lake City Commission, "we express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Wilbur C. Parkinson."



Mr. Parkinson

Mr. Parkinson served as president

Parkinson, after 52 years of service, retired as a city and county employee last Feb. 5. The past 43 years were spent as a director of environmental health. He is the recipient of several regional and state awards for his work in community sanitation.

of the Salt Lake City Chapter Sons of the Utah Pioneers. He was president of the "Days of 47" Committee for eight years and has been a worker on the committee since 1948. His wife Darlene has been his constant companion and inspiration in these civic services, especially in organizing and staging the nationally-renowned Pioneer Days Parade.

In the Great Salt Lake Council of Boy Scouts of America, Parkinson served on the Scout-A-Rama health and safety and the advancement committees.

A member of the Monument Park Fifth LDS Ward, he was counselor in the Monument Park Stake MIA presidency.

The Health Department employees honored Mr. Parkinson at a buffet luncheon Feb. 5 in the City & County Auditorium.

Black Slaves Fled Plantations To Join Indians

Four American Indian tribes are "heavy with black blood", a prominent Indian researcher has ascertained, because, as he claims, "for almost 100 years the only place a runaway slave could go was to the Indian tribes."

This is the report of Dr. Ed McGaa, made in a copyrighted article in the Chicago Sun-Times. McGaa said his people have always believed in "the brotherhood and dignity of man" and never hesitated to shelter blacks who fled the plantations.

The researcher uncovered the story of a black hero, taken in by the Sioux who was given the Indian name of Keawkasapa. He fled from his master in Missouri and collapsed of exhaustion near Pierre, S.D. according to the Sioux legend.

McGaa said the Indians nursed him back to health after finding him on the river bank. He became a mighty athlete, warrior and community leader. He served in battle under Chief Red Cloud whose braves boasted that they killed eight U.S. soldiers for every Sioux lost in battle prior to the treaty of 1868.

Keawkasapa composed songs mostly about the differences in the living and dress customs of the Indians as compared to those of his own people. He married an Indian maid and fathered seven Sioux children.

McGaa holds a doctorate degree in law and is an assistant city prosecutor in St. Paul, Minn. He was born on the Pine Ridge Reservation where Red Cloud died. In his copyrighted article in the Sun-Times, Dr. McGaa called the American Indian "the most peaceful people that ever lived on this continent."

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Oldest Utah citizen, according to the latest research, is Mrs. Caroline K. Pringle, resident of the Ninth East Rest Home in Salt Lake City. She turned 105 Dec. 14, 1972 and was born in Studham, England on Dec. 14, 1867.

Albert Schoenfeld, 103, is Utah's oldest man.

Mrs. Pringle attributes her remarkable longevity to traveling, taking long walks and visiting and making new friends.

She emigrated to Utah with her mother, Mrs. Eliza King when she was six months old, and was reared almost exclusively in Salt Lake City. Her father Thomas King joined his wife and daughter in 1868.

Caroline married Alexander Pringle in Logan in 1888. They had five children. Mr. King died in 1909 so she has been a widow 64 years. Her two living children are: R. K. Pringle, Salt Lake City and Mrs. Charles (Irene) Wolf of Los Angeles. She has 11 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren and 28 great-great grandchildren.

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Historical Highlights

By Harold H. Jenson
SUP Historian

If you haven't been through the new Church Office Building, be sure and make this a must visit at your earliest convenience. It is most beautiful and awesome in its magnitude and magnificence.

This historian is impressed especially with the Historians and Genealogical Libraries, the like of which is nowhere to be found. Of course there will never be anything quite like the old LDS Office Building — something distinct and apart with an atmosphere and spiritual refinement that is felt by everyone who enters therein. The new structure — tallest in the Beehive State — has taken on that sublime influence already.

These are sacred places that give our beautiful valley distinctive spirituality and architectural grandeur.

HIGH RECOGNITION

Recently The Deseret News devoted the cover page of its popular Weekly Magazine Section, to our SUP Immediate Past President Mayor Verl G. Dixon of Provo. What a dignified and impressive photo and such a splendid writeup! It couldn't have happened to one more deserving.

"The Mayor" was a great national

president, always on the top of every situation, knowing what was going on in all the chapters all the time. He was, and of course still is, a terrific organizer with the rare ability to get along with people because of his pleasing personality and rare ability to get the other fellow's point of view.

PARTY AT WRIGHT'S

The January meeting of the SUP National Board turned out to be a lovely party for members and their wives, at the beautiful home of Pres. and Mrs. Orson D. Wright, 3550 Oaks Drive, high up and beyond Wasatch Boulevard.

Opening feature was a sumptuous dinner, served by "Pat" Wright, SUP's first lady, following which the board members retreated to the large and attractive family room downstairs for their business meeting while the ladies were entertained upstairs. Dr. Wright has fixed up his downstairs lounge with some of the most interesting and fascinating pioneer relics and curios to be found anywhere.

In charge of arrangements was national President-Elect Thomas A. Lambert and his lovely little lady Marjorie.

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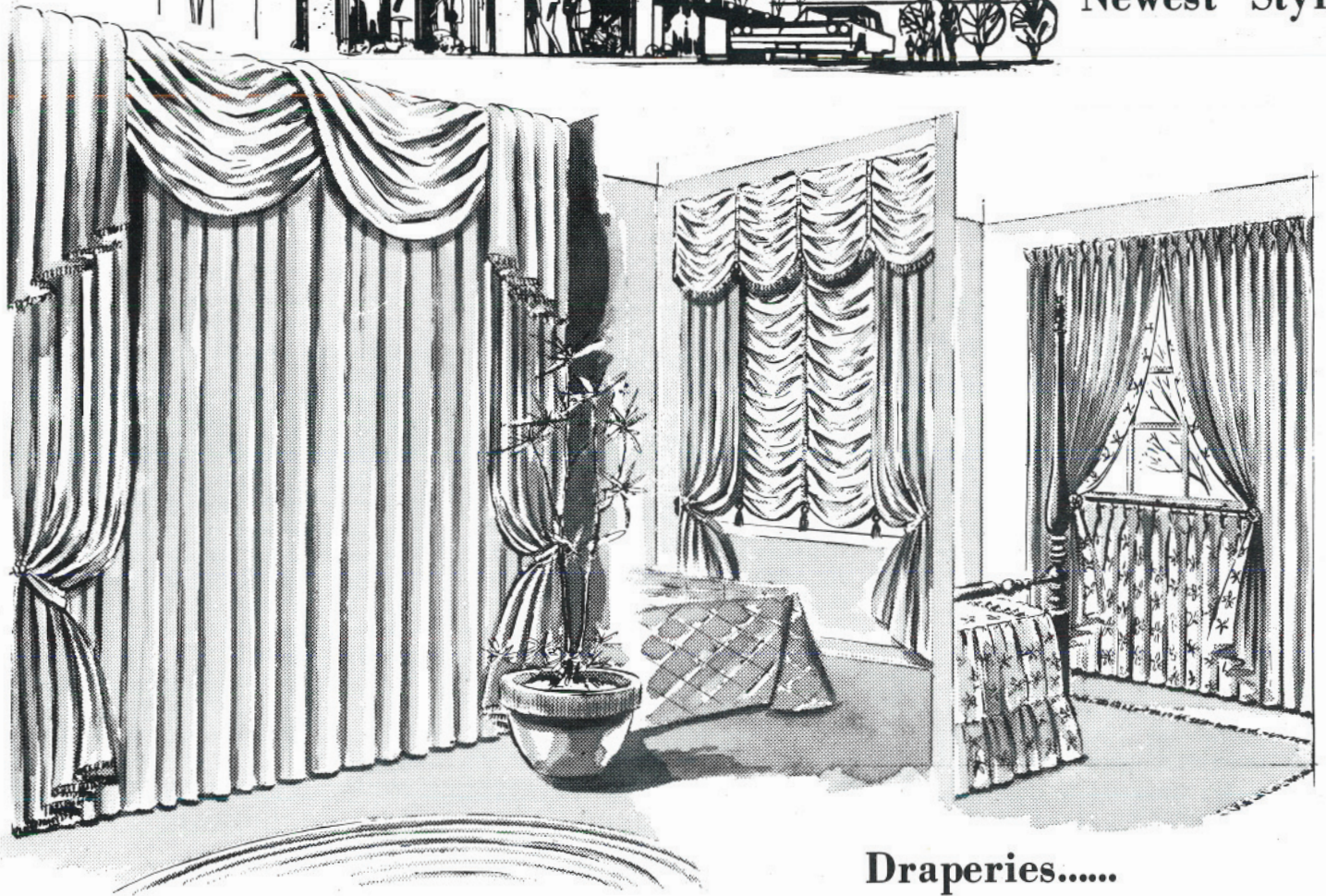
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